

Attorney Docket No.: H680129.0001US0

**DECLARATION (UNDER 37 CFR §1.63) AND**  
**POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR UTILITY APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled Gastric Aspirate Intestinal Feeding Tube, the specification of which is attached hereto and/or was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ and amended on \_\_\_\_\_. I hereby authorize my attorney/agent to insert the filing date, application number and/or amendment date, if they are not known to me at the time of signing this Declaration.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claim, as amended by any amendment referred to above; and I acknowledge the duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

**PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)**

Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Priority Claimed?
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120, of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56, which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the filing date of this application.

**NON-PROVISIONAL PRIORITY PATENT APPLICATION(S)**

Non-Provisional Application Number(s)	Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Status (patented, pending, abandoned)

I hereby appoint the registered attorneys and agents associated with Customer No. 001200, AKIN GUMP STRAUSS HAUER & FELD LLP, as my attorneys or agents with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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